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Foreign References

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A copy of each reference on PTO-1449 is attached. All cited references are in the English language.

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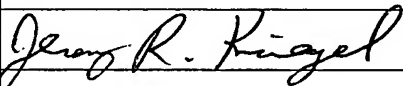
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